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Ketchum Administrative Site, Garage
(U.S. Forest Service Administrative Site, Building No. 1331)
Sawtooth National Forest
117 and 119 River Street
Ketchum
Blaine County
Idaho

PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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(U.S. FOREST SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE SITE, Building No. 1331)**

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PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History

- 1. Date(s) of erection:** Built in calendar year 1933
- 2. Architect:** George L. Nichols.
- 3. Original and subsequent owners:** USDA Forest Service, 1933-1992; City of Ketchum, 1992-present.
- 4. Builder, contractor, suppliers:** Sources of funding for the original construction (Anonymous n.d.a and n.d.b) were as follows:

<u>Costs</u>	<u>F.Y. 1933</u>	<u>F.Y. 1934</u>	<u>F.Y. 1935</u>
ECF	\$3.14	\$618.89	
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CCC Labor		83.75	
Other Funds		78.00	
Total	\$3.14	\$780.64	

- 5. Original plans and construction:** R4-20, except that no side door is present and the diagonal bracing on the garage doors is simpler than in the plans.
- 6. Alterations and additions:** None.

- B. Historical Context:** The structure was built in 1933 as part of an administrative site compound for the Ketchum Ranger District of the Sawtooth National Forest. It originally served as a two car garage. From November, 1965, the compound served as a work station until exchanged out of federal ownership in October, 1992.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement

1. Architectural character: This structure is typical of Depression-Era Forest Service architecture in the Intermountain Region.

2. Condition of fabric: Structurally sound.

B. Description of Exterior

1. Overall dimensions: 20' x 24'

2. Foundations: Concrete.

3. Walls. The exterior walls are covered with novelty siding, originally painted white with Nile green trim.

4. Structural System, framing: 2" x 4" wood stud braced frame.

5. Porches, stoops, balconies, bulkheads: None.

6. Chimneys: None.

7. Openings:

a. Doorways and doors: 2 large garage type doors are located on the south side of the building.

b. Windows and shutters: 2 4-pane fixed-sash windows in the south wall and one each in the east and west walls.

8. Roof:

a. Shape, covering: The roof is gabled, 2" x 4" rafters and 1" x 6" sheathing. The original shingles are present. They were and are painted green.

b. Cornice, eaves: Cornices are open, with dripping eaves.

c. Dormers, cupolas, towers: None.

C. Description of Interior

1. Floor plans:

a. Basement: None.

b. First floor: Single room.

c. Second floor: None.

2. Stairways: None.

3. **Flooring:** Full concrete.

4. **Wall and ceiling finish:** Unlined and unpainted.

5. **Openings:**

a. **Doorways and doors:** None.

b. **Windows:** None.

6. **Decorative features and trim:** Plain wood trim.

7. **Hardware:** Brass backing plates, hinges, window latches and slide bolts for windows.

8. **Mechanical equipment:**

a. **Heating, air conditioning, ventilation:** None.

b. **Lighting:** The building was originally wired for lights.

c. **Plumbing:** None.

D. Site

1. **General setting and orientation:** This structure is located near the center of the compound and faces south onto River Street. See site plan attached hereto.

2. **Historic landscape design:** See "Historical Sketch of the Ketchum Administrative Site," above.

3. **Outbuildings:** Seven other structures are a part of this complex. Each is documented separately.

PART III. SOURCES OF INFORMATION

A. **Original Architectural Drawings:** Standard Plan R4-20 (from Anonymous 1935) is attached hereto.

B. Early Views: One photo of the garage under construction, and one taken shortly after it was completed are in Anonymous n.d.a. A June, 1965 photo is on file at the Ketchum District office.

C. Interviews: None.

D. Bibliography

1. Primary and unpublished sources:

- Anonymous
1935 *Building Construction Manual*, revised edition. Ogden, Utah: USDA Forest Service, Region Four.
- n.d.a "Administrative Site Improvement Plans." [Large binder containing site plans, building descriptions, and photographs from the mid-1930's].
- n.d.b "Administrative Site Improvement Plans." [Same as Anonymous n.d.a, but without photographs and with updated Ketchum building descriptions to 1939].
- Berry, Arthur H,
1934 [February 26, 1934 letter to Forest Supervisor describing construction of "Ketchum Garage, (2 car)*"].
- Nichols, George L.
1946 *Building Construction Handbook*. Ogden, Utah: USDA Forest Service, Intermountain Region.

2. Secondary and published sources: None.

E. Likely Sources Not Yet Investigated: Local newspapers, National Archives.

F. Supplemental Material: Attached hereto: Photos taken by Eva Jensen, June 16, 1989.

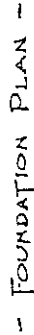
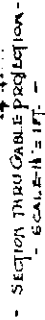
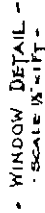
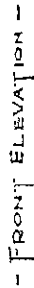
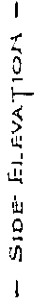
IV. PROJECT INFORMATION

A. Purpose of Documentation

1. The Forest Service exchanged this property out of federal ownership on October 30, 1992. As no restrictive covenants were included, mitigation by HABS documentation is appropriate.

B. Report Preparation

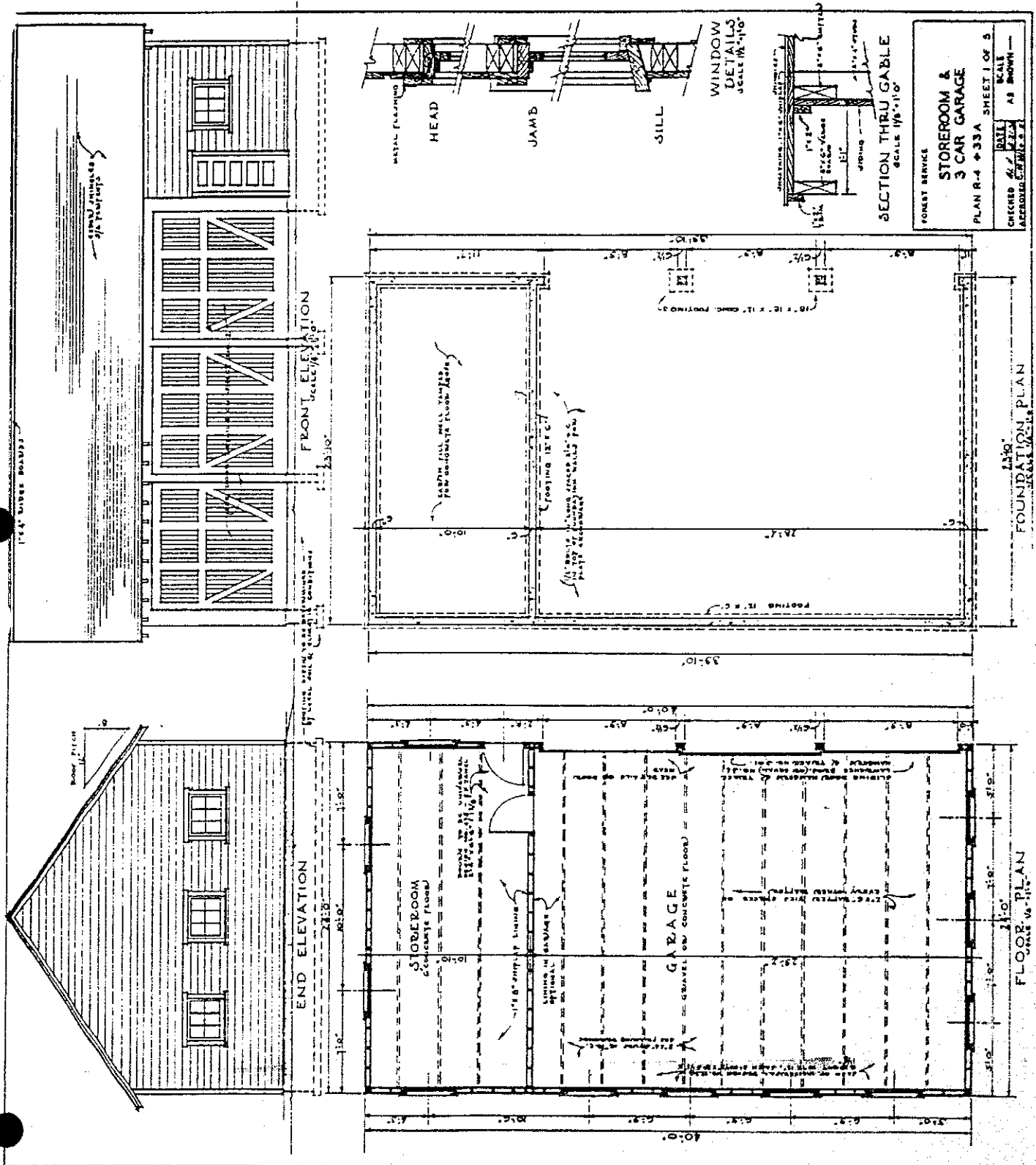
2. Richard T. Malouf, Forest Archaeologist, Sawtooth National Forest, prepared the narrative and drawings September-October, 1992. Eva Jenkins, Weber State Archaeological Laboratory, prepared the photographs in June, 1989.



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SCALE: 1" = 10'

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